

MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
AGENDA NO. 14-09-09

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For Work Week Commencing: September 8, 2014

Commission Meeting: September 9, 2014, 9:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m. Weekly Scheduling (Commission Conference Room – No Web Audio Feed)

9:30 a.m. Business (Bollinger Room)

Public Comments

Action Items All items identified below are for action at the Commission business meeting.

1. Approval of Commission Minutes (Aleisha)

Approval of the Commission Minutes for the week of September 1, 2014, 2014

2. Nelson Studios LLC T-14.20.PCN (Nickie)

On July 16, 2014 Nelson Studios LLC, Plains, Montana filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity. That application was noticed to the public on August 7, 2014 and no protests were received.

Proposed Motion: Approve the grant of permanent authority to Nelson Studios LLC.

Class B – Passengers in rate regulated tour service within a fourteen (14) mile radius of Nevada City, Montana. LIMITATIONS:
1) Operations are authorized between May 20 and September 20 of each year. 2) Service is limited to a military surplus vehicle. 3) Tours totally contained within a two mile radius of Virginia City, Montana are prohibited.

Work Sessions All items identified below are for Commission discussion or action on the day designated.

1. D2014.6.56; D2014.7.68; and D2014.7.69 – Citizens Telecommunications (D2014.6.56) and CenturyLink (D2014.7.68 and D2014.7.69) – Interconnection Agreements – Discuss and act on Proposed Interconnection Agreement in Docket Numbers D2014.6.56 (Citizens Telco and Montana Sky West), D2014.7.68 (CenturyLink and New Horizons Communications), and D2014.7.69 (CenturyLink and Montana Sky Networks). (9/9/14)
2. D2009.12.154 – Mountain Water Company – Application for State Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund Recovery Tracking Adjustment – Act on Tracking Request. (9/9/14)
3. PSC Comments on EPA Proposed Rule 111 (d) – Determine content and scheduling of Commission comments on proposed rule. (9/9/14)

Other Meetings**9/8/14 – 1:00 p.m. – Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. Information Meeting – (Bollinger Room)**

Weekly Scheduling, Review of Monthly Calendars, and Docket Status Updates (if requested by a Commissioner).

Notice Items All items identified below are noticed for public participation purposes. Unless otherwise stated in the text of the notice, the items will be action items on the next following agenda or a subsequent agenda and participation may be had by submitting written comments to the Public Service Commission, 1701 Prospect Avenue, P.O. Box 202601, Helena, Montana, 59620-2601, within 5 calendar days following publication of this agenda. Public comments on a noticed matter may also be submitted within the required time through the PSC's web-based comment form at <http://psc.mt.gov/Consumers/comments>. Comments should reference the docket number of the matter.

1. MDU Resources Group, Inc. D2014.8.75 (Eric)

On August 25, 2014, MDU Resources Group, Inc. applied for authority to issue over a two-year period \$1,000,000,000 of long-term financing in the following amounts: (1) the issuance of not to exceed \$1,000,000,000 of the Company's Common Stock; (2) the issuance of not to exceed \$150,000,000 of the Company's Preferred Stock and/or Preferred Stock A; (3) the issuance of not to exceed \$350,000,000 of the Company's secured debt securities; (4) the issuance of not to exceed \$350,000,000 of stock purchase contracts and (5) the issuance of not to exceed \$350,000,000 of hybrid securities such as convertible or unconvertible preferred securities, put able or callable instruments. The proceeds of these issuances will be used for funding the Company's capital requirements, for the refunding of its outstanding obligations, for corporate development including the acquisition of businesses or business assets and for other general corporate purposes. MDU requested that this authority be effective through December 31, 2016.

Protective Orders – Notice Items The Commission has received the following requests for protective order pursuant to ARM 38.2.5007. Comments on the requests may be submitted at any time prior to ruling. Copies of these requests may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Protective Orders – Information Items The Commission has issued the following protective orders. These orders may be challenged pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. Copies of these orders may be viewed on the Commission's web site at <http://psc.mt.gov>

Information Items All items identified below are for information only.

New Filings Received in Past Week

N2014.8.78 - Lincoln Telephone Company Inc. - Request for Waiver of Requirement to file Annual Reports by Small Telephone Companies